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1. The China-Export Corporation GmbH of Berlin, which is the Chinese Communist Government's purchasing agency for Western Europe, has revealed an urgent interest in purchasing the following items of equipment:

- a. Oil field equipment (a first priority requirement)

Drill pipes, complete with tools and tool joints:

2 3/8"	4,000 meters
3 1/8"	25,000 "
4 1/8"	20,000 "
5 1/8"	10,000 "
6 5/8"	3,000 "

Drill pipes for test drilling:

1 7/8"	10,000 meters
2 3/8"	2,000 "
2 7/8"	2,000 "

Casings:

3 1/2"	3,000 tons
4 1/2"	4,000 "
5 1/2"	6,000 "

Heavy steel bars for holding the drill pipes in position:

Quantity	Thickness	Length
40	7"	6 1/2 meters
40	7"	5 1/2 "
40	6 1/8"	5 1/2 "
40	6 1/4"	4 1/2 "
40	4 3/4"	6 1/2 "
40	4 3/4"	6 1/2 " (double-ended)

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Drill bits:

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Thickness</u>	<u>Length</u>
10	19 3/4"	fish tail
25	13 3/4"	" "
50	9 3/4"	" "
50	9 3/4"	soft crown
290	9 3/4"	hard "
50	6 5/8"	fish tail
280	6 5/8"	hard crown
40	5 5/8"	soft "
55	5 5/8"	hard "
15	13 3/4"	soft "
40	13 3/4"	hard "
35	6 1/8"	fish tail

Drillings rigs:

Five complete installations for drilling to a depth of from 3,000 to 3,500 meters.

b. Railway tracks:

The railway track requirements involve 10,000 tons of standard 12-kilogram-per-meter rails. More than 5,000 tons have already been supplied [ ] at \$95 to \$100 per ton.

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c. Steel sheets:

Siemens-Martin	Up to 2 mm.	Unlimited quantities at premium prices of \$160 to \$170
Siemens-Martin	4 to 20 mm.	Up to 1,000 tons of each size

d. Seamless black gas pipes:

1-inch to 4-inch pipes	Unlimited quantities required
5-inch	Up to 2,000 tons
6-inch	Up to 2,000 tons

e. Diesel engines:

Diesel engines of 500, 700, and 1,500 horsepower, required for coastal shipping. (This is described as a top priority requirement. The China-Export Corporation has already obtained three smaller Diesel engines of about 300 to 400 horsepower [ ])

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f. Textile machinery:

One textile or paper working machine of the calender type, of a 136-inch range.

g. Vacuum motors:

50 "Bourdon" type vacuum motors

h. Mobile Diesel engines:

4 engines, 150 to 170 horsepower, 960 rpm, complete with spare parts

i. Machine tools:

One metal band saw, table 750 x 750 mm.

One screw grinding machine, universal diameter 3"

One screw grinding machine, universal diameter 1/8" - 1"

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One piston grinding machine

One column boring machine (Säulenbohrmaschine), up to 2"

30,000 dozen files of all types, 4" to 18"

Unlimited amounts of spring steels for machine tools

(Items e. to i. above were described as "falling between Category II and Category III requirements".)\*

j. Lubricating oil:

20,000 tons, type unspecified

k. Tires:

60,000 truck tires, complete with inner tubes

l. Paper bags:

5,000,000 normal five-ply paper bags for cement, each with a capacity of 50 kilograms.

2. The China-Export Corporation was reported early in February to be negotiating for the purchase from INTRAC GmbH, Berlin, of the oil field equipment listed below. This equipment forms part of INTRAC's stocks stored at the Rummelsburg warehouses of Derutza AG in Berlin. It has been stored there for a considerable time and consequently is in such poor condition that the China-Export Corporation has refused thus far to accept INTRAC's prices.

a. Pipeline:

315 tons, 10" and larger, at 1,100 West DM's per ton

b. Drill pipes:

100 tons of 5 1/2" API

35 tons of 5 9/16"

Price: 1,250 West DM's per ton. Tool joints for the above pipes cost extra.

c. Casings:

53 tons of 7 5/8" casings at 1,150 West DM's per ton

3. Some of the pipes listed above formerly belonged to the Industrie und Baubedarf AG of Schlüterstrasse 38/39, Berlin, which is now in the process of liquidation.
4. In a further deal with INTRAC, the China-Export Corporation purchased the seamless steam pipes listed below. These pipes also belonged to INTRAC's stocks at the Derutza warehouses. The purchase price was paid on 25 January 1951.

Seamless steam pipes, DIN 2448

Diameter 32 mm.	Weight 7,200 kg.
51 mm.	12,366 kg.
57 mm.	1,050 kg.
76 mm.	1,920 kg.
89 mm.	7,140 kg.
108 mm.	18,408 kg.
133 mm.	18,090 kg.

Price: \$210 per ton

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5. The China-Export Corporation also obtained by early February some 207 tons of seamless black gas pipes [ ]

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[ ] These pipes were delivered from stocks [ ] to cover its contractual obligations with USIA in Vienna. The pipes delivered ranged in dimensions from 1½" to 4", but were mainly of the 3" and 4" varieties.

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\* [ ] Comment: The economic requirements of the China-Export Corporation are divided into four categories of importance. 25X1

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